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Awe fell on men, and then a mighty cheer

Swept round the green earth and the white sea foam;

Prayers flew from valiant hearts that never roam

And old sea-faring eyes let fall a tear

For him who had set heel on all men's fear,

And from two Arctic nights was forging home.

Then fell another word, "A lie, a lie,"

Lay not a laurel on the shameless brow;

Sole Warden of Eternal Snow am I,"

As if Dame Comedy had chuckled, "Now,

I'll let my drama loving children see

How human at the best, can heroes be."

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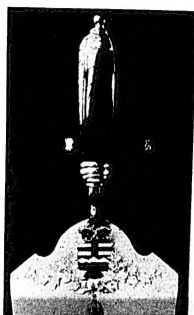
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Theoretically the case for a municipal street railway is a good one and the Star makes the most of it. But whether it works out to the advantage or disadvantage of those interested depends, altogether, as Mr. Gibson pointed out, and as has been urged from time to time on this page, on the intelligence which the people display in matters of civic government. If the city is going into business on an extensive scale, it must have men looking after its interests who are big enough for the job. The common-sense system, as we know it in this province, is, we believe, preferable to that in Ontario. Instead of dividing the control of the city's work among a number of different elected bodies, we have but one, the city council, responsible to the people. Under it, as executive officers, are those who give their whole time to the working out of the details of administration. The trouble is that as a rule we have not, in filling these positions, looked for big enough men. No private corporation, with such an investment as our municipalities have, would expect to secure the right class of employee at the salaries we are prepared to pay. The work devolving upon them requires an addition to their number and a very decided improvement in their general calibre. When these changes are made, the council should be prepared to confine itself more strictly to its proper functions and to show more confidence in those on whom the executive responsibility has been placed. If this were done, it would be better for all concerned. The duties of a member of the council would be less laborious and many citizens could be induced to take a place there who cannot or are not disposed to devote the time that is now required of them. No municipality has a right to expect a person to give the voluntary service which is necessary on the part of a member of one of our councils. Our commission system is hard to improve upon as a system, but we haven't given it a fair trial.

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PUBLISHERS' NOTE

Mr. R. D. Haines has recently assumed the business management of The Saturday News. Mr. Haines is an experienced Ontario newspaperman, whose capacity has been fully demonstrated in the different fields in which he has served in that province, and who will undoubtedly be a source of great strength to this paper. He comes to The Saturday News from the St. Thomas Journal, one of the most widely-known and most successful of Ontario publications, where he has been for some years in charge of the business end. In leaving St. Thomas Mr. Haines was the guest of the business men of the city at a large complimentary banquet at the Columbia. The highest tributes to Mr. Haines' ability, courtesy and geniality were paid by the speakers of the evening.

The Journal says "Mr. Haines will without doubt be found a valuable acquisition to his new firm in the bustling young city of Edmonton," while, according to the Times, "his thorough knowledge of newspaper work assures him success in his new home."

Mr. A. E. Moore, will continue to have charge of the job printing department of The Saturday News, which under his management has shown very great expansion in the past two years and a half. Devoting, as he will, his time wholly to this branch of the work, we can confidently look forward to the excellent reputation which the Saturday News has made for itself as the home of fine printing, to become many times enhanced.

Various mechanical improvements have been effected in recent weeks, which will enable us to turn out a larger and better paper in the future. This change will be made with the next issue which it can be safely promised, will be the most noteworthy publication of its kind that has ever been turned out in the Canadian West.



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Personal Notes

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The recent laying of the cornerstone of the Leonard Gaetz Methodist Church in Red Deer ensures a memorial to a man, to whose large vision and unbounded faith in the country's future, Alberta owes much.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Hume and Mr. G. Healy finished a 1,000 mile automobile trip from Calgary to Winnipeg, by way of Lethbridge, last week. The worst roads travelled were in the vicinity of Moose Jaw.

The report that Mr. Justice Scott was about to retire on account of ill-health, has, it is satisfactory to note, been denied.

Among those who have read the reports of Peary's success with the keenest interest is Mr. James W. Davidson, of the Crown Lumber Co., Calgary, who spent the years 1893-4 with the explorer in the Arctic regions.

"Commander Peary's qualifications," said Mr. Davidson, in the course of an interview, "were recognized by the United States government when at the age of 13 he was selected to make the first survey of the Nicaragua canal route. Their selection of him for this difficult work shows the confidence they reposed in him. He is well fitted, however, for this class of work, and for his present undertakings. The fine all-round training he received in the navy department, and which has been added to by hard personal study, has given him an equipment for this class of work which is unequalled by any living explorer. All his expeditions have been over the great ice cap of Greenland, and as an evidence of his great ability, it is interesting to note that in our expedition in 1894, he conducted our party over a journey of 1,300 miles in length over this ice cap, taking the course entirely by the compass, and bringing us back within half a mile of our starting point. This is a marvellous piece of work, and is a task that few can appreciate unless they have tried to do it. Unlike work at sea, there are no landmarks to go by, and men with some experience have been known to travel in a circle even when going by the compass, while very few can come within anything like a reasonable distance of where they started from. Commander Peary is a veritable wonder in that respect."

Rev. Father Jan has been transferred from Calgary to his old parish, that of Strathcona. Rev. Father Lewis, of Plattsburg, N.Y., succeeds to the Calgary charge.

Mr. T. B. Macanley, managing director of the Sun Life and Mr. F. G. Cope, superintendent of agencies, were recent visitors to Alberta.

Previous to his departure for Charlottetown, P.E.I., where he assumes the management of the Royal Bank's branch, Mr. A. W. Hyndman, late manager at Edmonton, was presented with a handsome silver tea service by the customers. Mr. F. J. McMillan, of Charlottetown, is his successor.

Mr. Archibald Hewat, F.F.A., F.T.A., general manager of the Edinburgh Life Insurance Company, was in Calgary last week accompanied by his son, Dr. Fergus Hewat. Mr. Hewat is looking over the country as a field for investment.

Mr. Wilfrid Forbes, a well-known barrister of Wetaskiwin for upwards of a decade, and lately clerk of the court there, has been made registrar of land titles at Calgary in succession to the late Mr. A. R. Hamilton.

Mr. George H. Nicholson, travel agent and sportsman, better known as "Big Nick," is now the proprietor of

the Clarendon Hotel, in Winnipeg, for which he is said to have paid \$325,000.

Mr. C. J. B. Ward, an old-time and public-spirited resident of the Red Deer district, will move to Vancouver Island shortly, where he has purchased a farm near Comox.

Previous to his departure from Edmonton for Winnipeg, where he enters the employ of the Chicago & Great Western Railway, Mr. A. C. Gillespie was tendered a complimentary banquet by fellow-officers of the 101st regiment, of which corps he has been a very active and useful member since its inception, holding a commission as lieutenant.

Much sympathy will be extended to Mr. Peter Gunn, M.P.P., of Lac Ste. Anne, on the death of his fourteen year old son and namesake, which occurred as the result of a duck shooting accident last week.

Mr. M. W. Sutherland, of Fairbanks, Alaska, who has large mining interests in that country, was the guest of Mr. F. W. Robertson, Edmonton last week.

Mr. Thomas Lessard, brother of P. E. Lessard, M.P.P., arrived recently in Edmonton from Quebec and will make his home in this part of the West.

Mr. J. L. Studholme, Edmonton, manager of the Great West Saddlery Co., has been given six months' leave of absence on account of ill-health and will visit his old home in England, going by way of the Pacific.

Mr. W. J. Thompson, of Calgary, will look after his duties during his absence.

Mr. H. J. Clark, the efficient city clerk of Strathcona, is to resign his post and will move to Chicago.

Mr. L. M. McCarthy, formerly manager of the Northern-Crown Bank at Edmonton, has been made superintendent of branches.

Mr. F. Waring has resigned his post as Edmonton representative of R. G. Dun & Co., and will be succeeded by Mr. J. O. Doyle, who comes from the Calgary office. Mr. Waring has been in the employ of Dun & Co. for twelve years and ill-health has forced him to relinquish his duties with the firm for the time being.

Agricultural Education in Canada and United States

A Comparison by an American Writer.

In a letter written to the New York Outlook, Delos H. Smalley, of Fond du Lac, Wis., gives the following statement of what has been done in the way of agricultural education in the United States, together with a comparison with conditions in Canada as he viewed them during a trip through this country.

"The states of the great Mississippi Valley have for years past supported well-equipped and well-manned agricultural colleges, some of them independent of, others departments of their great universities; while many of the state normal schools have for a long time strongly featured this line of work, with the result that is carried into the thousands of schools where the graduates of these great training centres take up the work of teaching. Nor does connection between sources of research and experimentation in farming and the rural communities, including 'the little red (or white) school houses' cease here. Professors and special lecturers from these institutions meet and talk to the farmers, their wives, and their children annually in from one to three convenient centres in almost every county of these great commonwealths. Their work, including the results of experiments at the State farms, the chemistry of soils and their fertilizers, fences, buildings, farm animals, dairying, etc., is all covered by lecturers and teachers, and is practical by discussions among the farmers themselves. Hundreds of these farmers, old and young, take advantage of short special courses in agriculture and domestic science. These are given in mid-winter, at the university, where all the necessary equipment as well as the inspiration of the regular classes adds interest and value of the work. The large classes of young men and young women graduated from full courses in agriculture yearly are as leaven to the masses, and the general demand has compelled the earnest attention of school officials everywhere to the importance of the subject."

"Beginning about a year ago, I visited every province in Canada, from Lake Superior to the Atlantic Ocean, spending five months in observing agricultural conditions, and judging possibilities for the future. Briefly, the result of my observation and study is that, with the exception of south-western Ontario and some portions of the Ottawa and St. Lawrence Valleys, the agricultural lands of Canada eastward from Manitoba are scattered widely, in small parcels, and hardly compare with what we term farm lands in the United States. At Guelph, Ontario, has been the only important school of agriculture in these provinces up to the time of opening of Macdonald College. It has a record of work well done and an influence among farmers over a considerable area. It is not equal in size or equipment of American schools of agriculture, nor was I able to find where it connected noticeably with the rural schools. Its bulletins are not adapted to elementary instruction, and no text-books on agriculture are prepared for the boys and girls of the farming communities of Canada. In fact their text-books are very poor, and in the different provinces, are for the most part cheapened editions, slightly modified, of somewhat obsolete American publications, and printed in New York or Boston. They contain nothing that one would notice adapting them for the training of farm children rather than clerks or artisans."

"Next in importance to the school at Guelph, is that of Nova Scotia, at Truro. The New Brunswick School of Agriculture would not bear comparison with anything of a similar character with which I am acquainted in the States. "Macdonald is new, and its influence for a long time will be limited principally to the province of Quebec. Its mission is worthy. Let us wish it well. Should it succeed in placing the study of farming in the rural schools of Quebec, where the study of English has made practically no progress for two hundred years, Macdonald College and her worthy president should be awarded great honors."

"Contrasted with these facts as to the relation of the Canadian Agricultural College to the Canadian public school, we in the States have at least a half-dozen texts on elementary agriculture, some of which is used in almost every school. Two or three series of common school arithmetic seem to have been prepared expressly to fit the requirements of boys who are to measure and fence land, compute the cost of preparing the soil, cultivating and harvesting the crop, and arriving at an intelligent tabulation of the results from each department of farm activity. In these books the future housewife is led to master the business of buying for every department of the home, and, with mathematical precision, to compound the ingredients for bread, cake and pie, and to estimate the ribbon for her own or the children's Sunday home-made dresses and millinery. State departments of education prepare and distribute outline course of study in agriculture, and all teachers, save in the larger cities, are required to pass an examination in the elements of the subject."

"What we in the agricultural region of the United States have been doing for nearly a score of years, Canada is beginning to think about. I may qualify somewhat as to Guelph, which, though small as com-

pared with some of our American agricultural colleges, has been doing a good work for those who have taken advantage of her courses. She has trained a few American students as well as students from abroad."

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As is the case in practically all Ontario towns and cities where there is a municipal waterworks, the Guelph system is under the control of an independent commission. The gas and electric light service are under another commission which last year reported gross profits of \$30,303.55, and after payment of general expenses amounting to \$2,123.91, and the payment of debenture interest amounting to \$8,060.67, there was a net profit of \$25,118.97, carried to the credit of profit and loss.

The commission have a balance on hand of approximately \$100,000, which represents the earnings of this department during about six years' operation over and above the payment of interest and sinking fund upon debentures. The price of electric light and gas have been several times reduced since the city purchased these utilities, showing that the \$100,000 surplus has not been built up at the expense of the people. Gas is now \$1 a thousand for all purposes, and electric light nine, ten and twelve cents per kilowatt hour according to class.

The price of electric light and gas will be greatly reduced upon the arrival of the Niagara power.

Guelph Junction Railway is the property of the city and is operated by the C. P. R. The city gets forty per cent of the net profits of the road. Last year the profits from this source to the city were \$2,016.81.

Guelph is the only city in Canada that has succeeded in making a street railway pay with a population of about 14,000, and without being connected with some other city or town. The radial railway, as the system is called here, is under the control of Chairman J. W. Lyon. The superintendent also manages the waterworks department. The street railway had a net profit of \$5,064.03 last year, which would have been much larger had it not been for the general business depression and the exceptionally heavy cost of removing snow during the winter of 1907-08. The total amount the city has invested in this road is \$180,000.

Under private ownership it did not pay operating expenses. It was not purchased by the city with the expectation of dividends, but rather in order to obtain the control of streets and roads of the city which had been given away in the franchise.

The Lieutenant-Governor, while congratulating the city on the success which it had made of its various ventures proceeded to discuss the general questions involved, though he admitted he was skimming closely to a subject he had, in his position, no right to touch upon. It was not every municipality, he declared, that could be trusted to elect or appoint men capable of managing such work. It was always advisable for a municipality to own its utilities and in many cases it was an advantage to operate

The Trowel Used by Earl Grey



The above shows the trowel with which the Governor-General laid the corner-stone of the new Parliament Buildings on Friday. It is a very attractive bit of workmanship.

The blade is of sterling silver, satin-finished. At the foot of the handle, which is silver-colored is the Alberta coat of arms, made of Saskatchewan River gold, enamelled in proper colors, from which extend sprays of maple leaves, also in gold. The handle is of crocodile skin and has gold cap and ferrule. The length of the trowel is 14 1/2 inches and the width 5 inches. Below the leaves is an engraved reproduction of the Parliament Buildings, the inscription occupying the remainder of the blade. The trowel does the greatest credit to the establishment of Jackson Bros., where it was produced.

The Fight for the Strathcona Liberal Nomination



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As the street railways in Alberta are wholly in the hands of the municipalities and we expect both the cities, where systems exist, to be in the very near future several times as large as Guelph, the question which the Lieutenant-Governor raised comes home to us very directly. The Toronto Star discussed it in a singularly clear and forceful article.

"The Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario," it said, "at a banquet held in connection with the opening of the new waterworks at Guelph, said that he favored municipal ownership, but not always municipal operation. So long as the principle of municipal ownership and control is conceded and carried out, the precise method of operation is a matter of detail."

"For instance the schools and the police of Toronto are not under the management of the city council, in the same sense that pavements, water supply, and fire protection are under that management. But all these matters alike are regarded as public services, to be operated for the benefit of the public, and not for private profit. This is the essential principle for which the advocates of public ownership of street railways and other utilities contend."

"The main object of a privately owned railway is profit. The main object of a publicly owned railway is service. Where those who have the control of a public utility are private citizens, looking for profits, and unchecked by competition, dissatisfaction is inevitable. The street railway is not a luxury, but a necessity, and its customers cannot enforce their demands by declining to use the service. There is every inducement to the company to put its surplus earnings into dividends, rather than into extensions and improvements."

"No one would dream of handing the control of pavements and sidewalks over to a private company, and allowing it to lay such pavements and keep them in such condition as it pleased. But a street railway in a large city is as essential to communication as are sidewalks for pedestrians and roadways for vehicular traffic. A large city is incomplete, is not rightly organized, unless every portion of it can be reached by street railway, and unless the service is supplied at the cost of operation."

This last sentence raises a very interesting point. In Edmonton, for instance there are at present very considerable sections within the city limits which have no street railway service. Those who have interests there never lose an opportunity to urge upon the city council to provide these. But the answer is that if an attempt were made to serve every section regardless of the population which it contained, the railway system would be wrecked, that the system must follow the population, not be extended with the expectation that population will follow it. Yet according to the Star's dictum, these people have an absolute right to the extensions that they ask.

How about waterworks and lighting extensions? Must these also be made? If the Star's position is sound, it means that a city will have

to be very careful about extending its limits if it is to avoid bankruptcy.

Theoretically the case for a municipal street railway is a good one and the Star makes the most of it. But whether it works out to the advantage or disadvantage of those interested depends altogether, as Mr. Gibson pointed out, and has been urged from time to time on this page, on the intelligence which the people display in matters of civic government. If the city is going into business on an extensive scale, it must have men looking after its interests who are big enough for the job. The commission-ship system, as we know it in this province, is, we believe, preferable to that in Ontario. Instead of dividing the control of the city's work among a number of different elected bodies, we have but one, the city council, responsible to the people. Under it, as executive officers, are those who give their whole time to the working out of the details of administration. The trouble is that as a rule we have not, in filling these positions, looked for big enough men. No private corporation, with such an investment as our municipalities have, would expect to secure the right class of employee at the salaries we are prepared to pay. The work devolving upon them requires an addition to their number and a very decided improvement in their general calibre. When these changes are made, the council should be prepared to confine itself more strictly to its proper functions and to show more confidence in those on whom the executive responsibility has been placed. If this were done, it would be better for all concerned. The duties of a member of the council would be less laborious and many citizens could be induced to take a place there who cannot or are not disposed to devote the time that is now required of them. No municipality has a right to expect a person to give the voluntary service which is necessary on the part of a member of one of our councils. Our commission system is hard to improve upon as a system, but we haven't given it a fair trial.

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PUBLISHERS' NOTE

Mr. R. D. Haines has recently assumed the business management of The Saturday News. Mr. Haines is an experienced Ontario newspaperman, whose capacity has been fully demonstrated in the different fields in which he has served in that province, and who will undoubtedly be a source of great strength to this paper. He comes to The Saturday News from the St. Thomas Journal, one of the most widely-known and most successful of Ontario publications, where he has been for some years in charge of the business end. On leaving St. Thomas Mr. Haines was the guest of the business men of the city at a large complimentary banquet at the Columbia. The highest tributes to Mr. Haines' ability, courtesy and geniality were paid by the speakers of the evening.

The Journal says: "Mr. Haines will without doubt be found a valuable acquisition to his new firm in the bustling young city of Edmonton," while, according to the "Times," "his thorough knowledge of newspaper work assures him success in his new home."

Mr. A. E. Moore, will continue to have charge of the job printing department of The Saturday News, which under his management has shown very great expansion in the past two years and a half. Devoting, as he will, his time wholly to this branch of the work, we can confidently look forward to the excellent reputation, which the Saturday News has made for itself as the home of fine printing, to become many times enhanced.

Various mechanical improvements have been effected in recent weeks, which will enable us to turn out a larger and better paper in the future. This change will be made with the next issue which it can be safely promised, will be the most noteworthy publication of its kind that has ever been turned out in the Canadian West.

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Administrator's Sale of House and Lot in the City of Edmonton

PURSUANT to instructions received from the National Trust Company, Limited, Administrators for the estate of Charles Petrik, deceased, there will be sold by Mr. H. G. Forster, Auctioneer, Wednesday, the 6th of October 1909, at 2.00 o'clock in the afternoon, on the premises, the following property, namely:

Lot 11, Eleven in Block No. Seven, (17) in River Lot (12) and Fourteen (14) in the City of Edmonton, being on the south side of Sutherland Avenue, between Syndicate and Kintino Avenues, together with house situated thereon, numbered 547.

The house contains nine rooms (viz.: large reception room, dining room and kitchen on ground floor, four bedrooms and bathroom on the second floor and attic. There is also a very large basement with furnace. The house is wired throughout for electric light and has water works fittings. Large verandah and balcony.

The house and lot will be sold at the upset price of \$3500., subject to a mortgage of approximately \$1980. The terms of sale shall be announced at the time of sale. The purchaser must assume mortgage. Further particulars will on application be furnished by either the National Trust Company, Limited, or Messrs. GABRIEL & LANDRY, Barristers, Solicitors, Edmonton.

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A Tale of Two Cities

The Twin Cities have for the most part stood still for the past week, awaiting the arrival of the Governor-General and the commencement of the ceremonies in connection with his visit. Edmonton has certainly put its best foot forward. Jasper Avenue's appearance does the greatest credit to those having charge of the decoration arrangements. The grain arch at the corner of McDougall is particularly effective and the electric railway poles down the centre of the street lend themselves admirably to gala day purposes. The merchants are also doing their part and Friday is bound to be a day long to be remembered by the crowds that will unquestionably be present to witness the proceedings.

The latest news regarding the high level bridge is that the C. P. R. engineers estimate a possible saving of \$65,133, by cutting off one of the car tracks and one of the sidewalks. These could be added when necessary. They are certainly not necessary just at present and their elimination will make the problem the easier. There is little doubt that with such change, it would be more economical and more satisfactory to go into the partnership scheme with the C. P. R. than to attempt to build a separate structure and that unless the railway forces the mixing up of the bridge proposition with the general entrance question, the people of the two cities would heartily support the scheme. We have to have another bridge, that is certain, and the more the whole situation is studied the more apparent it becomes that it would be poor economy to build one on any but a fairly high level. We would have to come to it, eventually, and we might as well make a good provision for the future now. Other cities have been up against a similar problem, and, as in our case, they have all hesitated at the large sums involved when estimates were brought down, but have before long come to recognize that large as these are, they can get sufficient value to make it worth while. Vancouver recently carried Granville street over False Creek at an expense of several hundred thousand dollars. In a few weeks a similar structure will be opened at Westminster avenue. And right on top of these huge undertakings comes a proposal, which is being seriously considered, to build a million dollar bridge at Canby street.

Toronto has just received estimates on the cost of continuing Bloor street across the Don. It will amount to \$60,000 and the ratepayers will be called upon to vote on it shortly with every prospect that the measure will carry easily. Edmonton and Strathcona might as well face the music without delay.

Edmonton had a visit this week from W. D. Haywood, the defendant in the Steunenburg case at Boise City, Idaho, in which Harry Orchard played such a large part. His address here was considerably less violent than that which he gave in Calgary. Probably he argued that a city that was accustomed to the eloquence of Mr. C. M. O'Brien, M.P.P., could stand stronger stuff than one that wasn't.

Mr. Haywood was almost as hard on Mr. Bryan as on Mr. Taft. Next month Edmonton is to have the opportunity of hearing the former. He will lecture in the Thistle Kirk on the evening of October 18 and will without doubt be given a reception fully in keeping with his eminence in the life of the sister nation to the south.

The first soil was turned at the site of the university buildings on Wednesday morning and it is expected that the foundation for the arts and agriculture structure will be finished this fall. The ceremony was performed by Premier Rutherford and he and President Tory delivered short addresses in which they expatiated on the great future which was in store for the institution. Incidentally it should be noted that when he returned to Winnipeg, Sir Joseph Thompson, president of the British Association, expressed his pleasure in noting on what broad lines Alberta was planning her seat of higher learning.

The building permits in Edmonton for September came close to half a million, constituting the largest month of the year. The largest items were McDougall church, the excavation for which is about completed,

\$70,000; the G. T. P. shops, \$60,000, and the Criswell block on First street, \$75,000.

The request of different clubs that ample provision should be made in the east end park for athletic grounds is one that there should be no hesitation about. They are an absolute necessity and if properly managed could be made a source of large revenue to the city through the street railway.

The city will rent a parcel of land on Elizabeth street to the newly formed Granite Curling Club for ten years. This is much preferable to selling the lots. At the end of the time specified there should be a considerable accretion of value and some public purpose to be served by the property.

The move to secure park land in the Hudson's Bay Reserve and also in the subdivisions west of the Groat ravine shows the city authorities are at least waking up to the necessity of doing something along this line. Could not a civic park be established alongside the proposed Government House site? A handsome public building and well laid out grounds near by would help out the park materially.

MUSIC AND DRAMA

The Life of an Opera Singer
Madame Emma Eames, who recently announced her retirement from the operatic stage, has written a far and away word to her American public. The vaudeville is, in a way, a short, sketchy autobiography, and is peculiarly interesting because of the light it throws upon her more personal and domestic life. We quote in part from Putnam's Magazine:

"From the moment when, on the occasion of my debut at the Grand Opera House in Paris, the public frantically applauded me, until today I have always been obliged to drive myself onto the stage. As I went on as Juliet for the first time, I did so filled with illusion, and forgetting even my own personality. When the public burst into applause, I was filled with horror that it was I they were applauding; instead of elating it terrified me. I fought my way out of that of course, even on the first occasion; but, for years, to sing in concert was not only a torture but an impossibility. I could only face the public in some one else's personality. I say that the American public has made my career a possibility by sending me the wave of affectionate encouragement and pride in my achievements without which I should have been paralyzed. I am terribly sensitive to atmospheres and in order to do my work I had to surround myself with an impenetrable wall—armor of apparent indifference."

Madame Eames' great loves in life are "nature in all her moods, animals, and beauty, and above all to lead a normal life." She continues:

"There is nothing of the kipsy in me, and my life has been nomadic in the extreme. The result of all this driving has been frequent physical and nervous breakdowns, which I concealed and overcame in silence. To be pitted is to fail to excite enthusiasm. The man with a grievance is invariably a social leper. To me a large city is a prison. I shall never again lay my head in bricks and mortar for a season of opera."

Referring back to her operatic beginnings, Madame Eames says further:

"Many were the evenings in those first years, when, after frequent recalls, and the public at the highest pitch of enthusiasm, I drove home crying with discouragement. My subjective and objective mind are quite separate, and in addition to singing and acting it, I was criticizing myself as I went along. Instead of being driven to madness, I have put all that anguish behind me; but I now wish rest and change, and above all to live the normal life of a gentlewoman."

The London Daily Mail called attention to the devotion of English choristers to their work. This is something which we miss sadly on this continent. It means much to the cause of religion as to that of music. Says the Mail in part:

All honor to Mr. Fred Moore (who has sung in one choir at Stafford for seventy-four years) for his unstinted and loyal service. Mr. Moore, however, is not the oldest chorister still in active service in the kingdom. This honor, I believe, is due to Mr. George Arnold, who has been a member of Holy Trinity church, Bosham, Sussex, for more than eighty years. Mr. Arnold joined this choir in 1829, and still sings in the chancel behind his grandson, who is also a member of the choir. Even this, I do not think, constitutes the record, for on looking through an old list in my possession, I find the name of Mr. John Siddons, who in the year 1814 joined the parish church choir at Snaresbrook and was still in active service there as a chorister in 1896, when he had just celebrated his ninetieth birthday. Eighty-two years is certainly a record hard to beat for length of service in one choir.

The Edmonton School of Music has commenced its work under the direction of Capt. W. Harry Watts in the Gallagher block, on Jasper avenue east. Capt. Watts has had an excellent experience both in the Old World and in the Maritime Provinces and there is every reason to believe that the musical life of Edmonton has received a distinct acquisition in him. With him will be associated as vocal teacher and instructor for the violin and viola Mr. W. J. Hendra, who needs no introduction to the people of Edmonton.

The Edmonton Operatic Society will produce "Pinafore" during the coming season. As Mr. Vernon Barford, who has put on so many striking amateur successes already in Edmonton is in charge once more, there should be no doubt about the outcome of the venture. Practices are being held on Tuesday evenings in the Separate School hall.

Mr. Hughes is again the conductor of the amalgamated choir at Wetaskiwin, which will give its first concert early in December, in which it is expected Camrose choristers will join, giving one hundred voices. The year's officers are:

President—Father Walravens
Vice-President—Mr. E. D. H. Wilkins.

Secretary—Miss Slade
Treasurer—Miss Heathcote.

The Empire.

The show at the Empire last week was not up to the high standard of excellence set by its predecessors. Last night's performance was satisfactory, but lately have been taught to expect better things.

Ned Nye, a so-called comedian opened the bill. There was nothing funny about his songs or monologues and his efforts were very tiresome.

J. C. Mack & Co. have a very funny sketch "The Mother-in-Law." Mack clothed in a directing gown of fear, with a wonderful pattern and design, romps through the skit with great abandon. The "Co," consisting of a cowboy and a girl serve as foils for the comedy of the "leading lady."

There is nothing finer than the music of a banjo and the Clarke's are worthy exponents of that instrument. They fairly make the strings talk, and their classical selections were very good, but it was the old favorites "Swanee River" and "Kentucky Home" in four part harmony, that took the audience by storm.

At last, Miss Alice Pinckston has had a chance to show vaudeville patrons that she is far above the ordinary run of illustrated singers. Last week she had a little act of her own and the three selections, "Killarney," "The Glow-worm" and "The Caterpillar and the Rose" demonstrated the pureness and range of her voice. Indeed, Miss Pinckston impressed us as the real head-liner of the evening. There are many families of trained dogs in vaudeville but we must award the palm to Seymour's. These dogs do everything but speak, and show the results of careful training. They are not cowed as are the majority of trained animals, but enter into the act with a zest that could be well emulated by many human beings. Moving pictures and an illustrated song make up the remainder of the bill.

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In giving an account of Bobby Kerr's reception on his return to Hamilton, London "Sporting Life" states that the enthusiastic greeting was well deserved. No more whole-hearted trier had been seen in England than Kerr, and as a good sportsman he would always be a welcome guest. This is the kind of testimony that does a country and a sport good. One defeat such as Kerr's is worth a hundred victories of the kind that some athletes from this continent have scored in England.

In the present interest of the world of sport is concentrated on the great struggle which is going on between Detroit and Philadelphia in the American baseball league.

On Friday last Detroit had won 92 games and lost 51, while Philadelphia had won 90 and lost 53. Detroit was due for a series with New York and Philadelphia for one with Cleveland. Detroit was considered the much harder proposition. At the first of last week the New York Sun had this to say as to prospects:

"The Detroitis will have four games with the Highlanders at the Hilltop, and as Stallings men are trying desperately to climb into fourth place, he didn't play on Sunday, but the newspapers reported that he had. It seems to make a difference which party you belong to, if you want to indulge in your favorite pastime on the first day of the week. Mr. Ball four played on Sunday, unconcerned with newspaper criticism. When somebody wrote the Archbishop of Canterbury about it, His Grace replied in effect that if the Premier wished to play then, it was nobody's business but his own."

PINERO'S LATEST PLAY.

A Study of Matrimony and Middle Age—"Mid-Channel" as an Argument Against Marriage Can be Happy With-out Children.

The London Mail presents this decidedly readable notice of Sir A. W. Pinero's latest play "Mid-Channel." Positively the English stage has a tragedy again—"Mid-Channel" by Sir Arthur Pinero, produced last night at the St. James' Theatre. It is an earnest piece of work, without complexities, theories, problems, or even moral, unless it be found in the inferred generalization that no marriage can be happy without offspring.

After fourteen years of married life, pretty, animated, fascinating Zoe acts thirty-seven the ages of the characters are important, and her husband, a big, successful, middle-aged stockbroker, have come to the conclusion that they have "got on each other's nerves," dangerously and irretrievably. For some years past they have been merely "friends." Even the discretionary "living apart" stage serves but to aggravate the tension. Then one night there were "words," so that the situation as the curtain rises on the morrow looks distinctly like a mid-Channel sea passage.

In the Breakers.

We see all that at once. Mr. Blundell is rough, blatant, prosaic and vulgar; Zoe exactly the antithesis. Zoe, in fact, has what the French call "du chien." She has a pretty good time of it, too, one would think: surrounded by a posse of male admirers—"game robins"—she styles them "from the Hon. Peter Mottram to Lowenstein and young Leonard Ferris, who puts in odd moments at Sloan-street, casting tea-table eyes at pretty Miss Pierpoint, and is very fond of driving motors above the regulation speed."

Captions, cantankerous Zoe is plainly a delightful feminine creature. But there is nothing reprehensible in her traffic with the "robins." They just exist; flutter about her; take her to theatres, suppers and possibly dances, and though each one considers himself the chosen, it is fairly evident that "Lenny" with his black hair and fast cars, is well—cock-rob-in of Zoe's aviary.

Mr. Blundell is "tired" of it. One rather sympathizes with him at first. It must be somewhat vexatious. Indeed the situation is desperate. There are no babies and there is no sense of humor, which latter want is con-

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deserved and one that he may well be proud of in view of the opponents whom he had to overcome, disposing in turn of Mr. J. L. Bell, last year's champion, Mr. Simpson, winner of the Cup in 1903-4, and Mr. Graham, who reached the finals in the provincial tournament two years ago. Dr. Coburn, winner in 1907, and runner up this year in the provincial championship, was beaten by Mr. Simpson in the second round. Mr. McLeod attained his place in the finals by defeating a number of decidedly dangerous contestants. In the semi-finals he met Mr. S. H. Woods, who had defeated Mr. H. W. Sipple by one up at the twentieth hole. Another tight match was that between Mr. J. Graham and Mr. F. G. Palmer, the former being one up on the nineteenth.

Premier Asquith has been criticized for playing Sunday golf. He says he didn't play on Sunday, but the newspapers reported that he had. It seems to make a difference which party you belong to, if you want to indulge in your favorite pastime on the first day of the week. Mr. Ball four played on Sunday, unconcerned with newspaper criticism. When somebody wrote the Archbishop of Canterbury about it, His Grace replied in effect that if the Premier wished to play then, it was nobody's business but his own."

On the Shoal

They are in mid-Channel now. Mr. Blundell has taken a flat and a Mrs. Annery to amuse him there. Zoe has been having a romantic time in Italy with "Robin" Leonard, and has returned to London in a state of nerves and dudgeon. Zoe has pangs of conscience about certain events at Perugia, Siena, etc.; and "Lenny," though thirty-two seems to be an inordinately foolish youth, besides being "a bit of a boomer," tactless, boorish and insolent. Zoe thinks the "boy"—Zoe thinks a man of thirty-two a mere boy—had better go back to Ethel Pierpoint, which caused "Lenny" to gasp, splutter, vociferate, and posture, so that, as Zoe is truculent and Lenny an ass, mid-Channel is reached once more, the boy snatches his hat, Zoe a farewell kiss, and there it is, the boy passes away, and takes the first cab to Ethel Pierpoint.

Shipwreck

But Zoe still has a chance. Mr. Blundell has just got rid of (2,500 pounds was the sum) Mrs. Annery, and besides having taken to the hotel, is bored with the whole business. Annular Peter effects a meeting. They agree to forget the past, and had it not been for Zoe's stipulation as to the future, they might have got over the Ridge. But Mr. Blundell will not forgive Zoe's Perugia peccadillo. Zoe points again. It won't do. The breach is now made final.

However, there is still "Lenny," so to his rooms. Zoe repairs. "Marry her" Why, Leonard has got engaged to Ethel Pierpoint during the afternoon. It's very awkward indeed. It becomes more awkward still when Mr. Blundell, shadowed by Peter, invades "Lenny's" rooms and finds out that Zoe is hiding in his bedroom, and the situation is tense with tragedy. Yes, if Zoe will, Leonard will marry her. Good! "Zoe! Zoe!" Old isn't it? It is odd. Zoe has fallen into the street from the balcony.

They are not pleasant folk these, to be sure. What strikes me about these people is their intensely English characterisation—the two men are rough, unpolished, selfish, brutal, while Peter is a bore. Peter, to me, quite spoils the play. He is the cause of the tragedy and his presence hampers the poetic resolution of the other three. Then the motives seem somewhat nebulous. I do not understand the motive for Leonard's behavior in Act II, or Zoe's for wishing her husband back on platonic

terms; or, indeed, her final suicide. Were there less of Peter, perhaps these matters might be rendered clearer.

Pierce Acerbity

The language, too, is very coarse at times. Would a man like Leonard really ask a woman of Zoe's class whether she has some "other fancy man in tow"? No wonder she strikes him for it. The fact is that if Mr. Blundell is a brute, the lover is a boomer. Zoe, herself, is not what is known as a "real lady." No lady, desirous of effecting a reconciliation, would have insulted her husband, as she does, because he did not take her to the Ritz. The manners and language of all these people mystify me. The very maid is extraordinarily insolent. And I must confess that the human interest as well as the leit-motiv of the play seem to me to be inadequate. Its virtues are its extreme cleverness in technique and dramatic craft-manship. Those are palpable. Still, it is tense, dramatic, pulsating with a fierce acerbity.

Miss Irene Vanbrugh has a very difficult task as Zoe, who has a touch of the "haute demi-mondaine" about her. Probably no other English actress could have played it as well. She is always interesting, full of those little things and ways that make women so mysteriously attractive to men; speaks admirably, looks like Zoe, is Zoe in fact, very ably and memorably. But Zoe has a "roublard" nature, and I do not think that part of her quite comes out enough.

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it becomes a hold-up, a small species
of blackmail, a subscription or your
reputation deal, a gift devoid of good
feeling, good wishes, or any real in-
terest; a personal compliment be-
tween friends.

And what is charity as we know
it?

Is it that attribute spoken of in
the Good Book, as a something that
suffers long, and is kind—in other
words, Love—that vaunteth not it-
self, is not puffed up, heareth all
things, endureth all things, and so on,
or is it something that means a con-
tinuous demand for money and cakes
and sandwiches, the buying of tickets,
the giving of what in all honesty be-
longs not to oneself, but to the butcher,
the baker and the candle-stick maker?

I leave the question with you, and
pass on to charity as I know it.

Put me down a hardened worldly-
wise woman, who has lost her faith
in people and things, if it please you,
confide to each other how sadly I mis-
represent facts, but be honest just

But this is not all. I know of
shoals of instances where ticket sell-
ers in the name of the church and
charity not only have disposed of
their pastboards to the women of a
household, but have then gone right
down to the husband's office and held
him up also. Cases where in the one
store the two partners who never
wanted the two tickets in the first
place, have been struck separately in
the name of the firm—sort of a petty
blackmail business—and have each
unwittingly been induced to buy. The
tickets being burnt at once as useless
trunk, the ticket-seller being told that
they would be so. And yet they call
this thing by the name of Charity.

Every association and society is at
the same business; in consequence a
day's "touches" down town mount up
to appalling figures.

"If you don't buy, well, I can get
my groceries somewhere else," is the
not infrequent argument. Some peo-
ple might confuse charity with graft,
or black-mail, mightn't they?

I know a man who had \$10 worth
of tickets left for him to sell, who
hadn't the courage to refuse, but pur-
chased the lot, a thing he could ill
afford to do, rather than ask his
friends to help him out.

Tell me, how much blessing can
follow money raised by such tactics?

The cake and sandwich racket is
another phase. This comes under the
heading of the refreshment take-in.

It seems that tickets alone never

Young Albertans, No. 27



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George Stewart Ervine, 446 Clara Street. Age 5 months

between ourselves and acknowledge
that what I am about to say repre-
sents to a great extent what you
yourself think, and have so ex-
pressed, when the little bird that
tells me things was present.

In every town and city one recog-
nizes that there will be so much de-
stitution and demand on one's sym-
pathy and pocket-book. For the
purpose of meeting this need there are
church and charitable organizations
without number. Now comes up the
question how to provide the money
to carry on this laudable work. And
just here comes in the thin edge of
the wedge of the trouble.

"People want something, some en-
joyment, some tangible return for
their money," say prominent char-
itable workers, "let us give a dance,
a fair, a bazaar, a concert, etc." This
they proceed to do, with which no one
has any reason to find fault, providing
that in doing so the public were left
to their own devices as to whether
they should attend or not. But now
begins a house-to-house and office to
office canvass to dispose of tickets.
Women one knows and likes strike
one at the house and on the street.
In the case of the average man he
simply can't, with any grace, refuse.
Young girls are asked to get the
young fellows in the banks to pur-
chase, because the boys, having ac-
cepted hospitality at their homes, can
hardly fail to buy. Children are not
even left out of the game, and are
drawn into vying with each other as
to the number they can sell, family
friends and fond parents being the
victims. Tickets which can not be
disposed of on their face merits, else
why not leave them in the shops to
be sold, are unloaded on the hard-
pressed people who don't want them,
by others whose position or popular-
ity and so forth are used by the pro-
moters as so much bait. It isn't a
nice thought, come to think of it, is it,
nor a very dignified proceeding or
position for any concerned?

finishes a "touch," the refreshment
committee have only not yet reached
you.

"A cake, dear, now I'm not asking
much." The demand is almost a
daily nuisance.

A cake—how simple! And yet
cake added to cake, and a salad to a
salad means grocery bills unpaid at
the end of the month. I know hus-
bands, whose wives donate, at the
pistol's point almost, refreshments to
every conceivable thing, who com-
plain that the doing so entails "no
cake at home for several days."

Now it is one thing, now another.
The loan of a stove, chairs, something
all the time, and a vast trouble to
recover them in proper condition.

So far is the thing carried that
caterers whose living it is, are asked
to lend their silver and dishes, that
"the ladies" may get up the super-
lucious little encouragement for them,
incidentally, to stock up, or run
things on a decent scale, if every en-
tertainment is taken out of their hands
in the name of sweet, sweet Charity.

And then—we hear complaints that
the shops in town don't know how
to cater adequately. Why not oc-
casionally give them a chance, and
private folk a respite from much
begging?

And why again, because a thing is
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another, and prices ground down un-
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Mrs. James Hyndman was the hostess of a delightful small tea on Tuesday afternoon in honor of Mrs. O'Leary, before her departure to St. Albert, when about a dozen congenial people had a happy little chat over the tea cups, and an opportunity to tell the guest of honor how much she would be missed in Edmonton this winter.

The hostess was looking quite charmingly pretty in a semi-Empire gown of Alice blue charmeuse satin, with touches of narrow gold braid and vivid spotted net, the same shade as the gown. Mrs. O'Leary, who was in pale pink satin, with a gold threaded lace yoke and looked as pretty as a picture.

The guests included Mrs. Gray, Mrs. Dickie, and her two daughters, newcomers, but already very popular. Mrs. Cautley, Mrs. Lowe, Mrs. Barrow, and Mrs. Dickinson, and Mrs. Hyndman poured the tea and Mrs. Slocock served the delicious ice. Also there was the lovely little daughter of the house, irresistibly sweet and lovable in her dainty French frock and exquisite autumn leaves draped everywhere, from the fire-place to the shadiest corner.

"Leaves have their time to fall," sings the poet, and perhaps it is as well that they should pass out of existence at the height of their beauty—but, oh, too brief a span we sigh, as we watch their superlative loveliness of gold and red, fade into the brown and sear, that represents the ending of it all.

I am taking things easily this week on the social end, knowing that with the next issue comes the deluge. As I write, no one seems to be dreaming of anything but getting her costume ready for Friday's dance. Judging from the preparations being made beforehand, it should eclipse anything of the kind held up to the present in Alberta. There are to be all kinds and conditions of out-of-town visitors and already the streets are festively adorned and the huge rink stands ready for the big celebration. Of it more anon, but it is worthy of the distinguished party it will shelter on that night; that I must say.

Mrs. Saunders was the hostess of a "Not-Outs" dance on Tuesday evening, given for her two daughters and their debutante friends. The happy party was the last frolic of quite a number of those present as "buds," next week they will be "out," and the simple muslin frocks of Tuesday be exchanged for the satins and tulle and all the finery of a girl who "has made her appearance." So they celebrated it dancing until the clock struck the half after one, an outrageous hour for a Not-Out.

Of course there was a sprinkling of girls who have already made their bow. Mrs. Donald MacDonald being also honored by an invitation to bring her guest, Miss Moore, of Peterboro, but as a whole, it was distinctly an affair for the younger dancing set.

Mrs. Saunders received her daughter's friends, wearing a figured mauve silk mull gown over mauve tulle, the bodice enriched with cream lace and gold buttons, while Miss Margaret and Miss Beatrice wore lovely frocks of white point d'esprit over tulle, with beautiful real lace garniture.

Supper was served at half-past eleven, and all the other arrangements, floor, music, etc., were perfect.

Miss Bertha Moore, of Peterboro, who has been spending several weeks with her sister, Mrs. Foster and her of Fernie, B.C., is the guest of Mrs. Donald MacDonald of "Glencoe," and will remain in town for two weeks at least.

I have received the following letter: "My Dear Peggy: In your issue of September 24th, you say, 'I am surprised not to see Mrs. Braithwaite's name as patroness, her long connection with and unselfish devotion to the Public Hospital, from its inception. I believe, making any hospital affair seem incomplete without her.' It would indeed have been a tragedy had Mrs. Braithwaite's name been omitted from the list, not only because she is the valued and highly esteemed treasurer of the society, but by reason of the fact that her long and untiring service to the

Hospital have identified her with its very existence.

"I may, however, state officially, that Mrs. Braithwaite declined to act as she was leaving the city for some weeks and would not be present at the ball. To prevent any misunderstanding I may say that the hostesses were not selected at random, but consist of the patronesses of the Hospital Aid, the acting officers and the wives of the Board of Directors. The names of several of the patronesses attending the ball in their official capacity have been omitted from the list, but this was first discussed with them or their representatives.

"Will you kindly give this matter a space in your columns to correct any misapprehension that may be abroad."

Yours very truly,
F. M. RIDDELL,
Secretary Women's Hospital Aid.

Mrs. Dickinson has chosen the first Wednesday of each month, as her reception day.

Miss Watson and Miss Alice Watson, by the way, daughters of Senator Watson, of Portage la Prairie, arrived in town to spend a month with Mrs. Dickinson on Thursday, just in time to be present at the vice-regal ball.

Mr. and Mrs. Lane are getting nicely settled in their cosy new home on St. James street. There has been quite an exodus to this newly-opened up part of the city of late, which leads one to believe that it will probably very soon be the centre, as it is now the extreme boundary, of the fashionable West End.

Mrs. Geo. Harcourt is giving a large At Home on Saturday, of which we hope to give further details next week.

Mr. Justice and Mrs. Beck have issued cards of invitation to a dance in the Separate School Theatre on Friday, October 8th, when Miss Margaret Beck, who is to be one of the prettiest debutantes of the season, will have her coming-out.

Mrs. A. Archibald has as her guests her mother, Mrs. Wilson St. Mary's Out, and her sister, Mrs. Davidson, Dawson City.

A great deal of interest will be aroused in town, where she is so well known and widely liked, by the announcement of the engagement of Miss Margaret Wheat to Mr. Norman Jacobs of the G. T. P. engineering staff.

Mrs. Joseph Morris will receive this coming Tuesday for the first time this season and will resume her reception days, the first and fourth Tuesdays of each month.

The marriage took place in Galt, Ontario, on Sept. 22nd, by Rev. Dr. Sanderson, grandniece of the bride, Miss Clara Louise, youngest daughter of Mr. R. T. Crawford, a resident of Edmonton for a short time previous to his death, and for many years a prominent business man in Woodstock, Ont., to Mr. Arthur Yockling, of this city.

Miss Theresa C. Doyle arrived in Edmonton a few days ago, joining her brother, Mr. John D. Doyle, who has taken up residence on Ninth street. Miss Doyle has been a resident of Calgary for the past three years.

The oratorio "Ruth" will be rendered in the Westminster Church, Queen's Avenue, on Tuesday evening, October 12th, at 8.30, by a chorus of thirty-five voices under the direction of Miss Louise Moore, organist of the church. This is one of the most charming of Galt's compositions, although not nearly as difficult as "The Prince of Peace" or "The Holy City." The choruses are bright and the solo parts of "Ruth," Naomi, Orph and Boaz, very beautiful. The latter are being taken by Mrs. Charles Freese, Miss Victoria Johnston, Miss Mina McDonald and Mr. Hugh Watt respectively.

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HERE AND THERE

(Continued from Page Three.)
within the memory of living men, from the character and condition of the people, which they still express with sufficient fidelity—and we ostentatiously prefer them to any other in history. They are not better but only fitter for us. Democracy is better for us, because the religious sentiment of the present time accords better with it. Born democrats, we are nowise qualified to judge of monarchy, which to our fathers, living in the monarchical idea, was also relatively right. The voice of our leading parties, in this country is, that they do not plant themselves on the deep and necessary grounds to which they are respectively entitled, but lash themselves to fury in the carrying of some local and momentary measure, no-wise useful to the commonwealth.

The spirit of our American radicalism is destructive and aimless; it is not loving; it has no ulterior and divine ends; it is destructive only out of hatred and selfishness. On the other side, the conservative party, composed of the most moderate, able, and cultivated part of the population, is timid, and merely defensive of property.

The less government we have the better. To educate the wise man the State exists and with the appearance of the wise man, the State expires. The wise man is the State.

The power of love as the basis of a State has never been tried. We must not imagine that all things are lapsing into confusion if every tender protestant be compelled not to bear his part in certain social conventions; nor doubt that roads can be built, letters carried, and the fruit of labor secured when the government of force is at an end. There is not, among the most religious and instructed men of the most civil and religious nations a reliance on the moral sentiment, and a sufficient belief in the unity of things to persuade them that society can be maintained without artificial restraints as well as the solar system; or that he private citizen might be reasonable, and a good neighbor without the hint of a jail, there never was in any man sufficient faith in the power of rectitude to inspire him with the broad design of renovating the State on the principle of right and wrong.

J. C. O.

New Post Cards of latest views of Edmonton just arrived. For sale only at Little's, the place to get a big assortment.

WHAT THE PRESS AGENTS SAY

Change of Bill at The Empire.

The new bill at the Empire will be presented for a week and it is offering that is absolutely guaranteed by Manager Kyle as the very best yet presented. Six high class acts, not to mention the stock features, will contribute an evening's enjoyment such as it has not yet been Edmonton's good fortune to witness, and standing room will be at a premium, if merit counts for anything. It will be a decidedly superior bill in all respects to last week's programme, which was spoiled by the non-appearance of the headline act owing to an accident in Calgary which disabled one of the members.

The Donatella and Facendia Troupe of Italian instrumentalists and vocalists are the headliners, and their work is superb. Shayne and King are a pair of Heloise comedians who have anything so far seen in Calgary backed off the map. George Winfield & Co present a screaming comedy sketch "Am I your wife?" Bunchu and Alger, billed as the "Kentucky Girls," are a team of exceptionally clever songsters. The Lovelos, wire artists, are another novelty act. Edythe Stanley, "The Piano Girl" is an instrumentalist of considerable prominence in the East, and her rendition of difficult classics speaks volumes for her technique and expression.

Miss Pinckston, who made such a hit last week, will sing another catchy number as the illustrated song number, from New York's latest craze, "Commencement Days." The Empire Orchestra, under Director Tom Irving, have a splendid offering for the musical part of the programme, in "The Song."

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It has often been said that they cannot make jokes in the Old Country, but if they do not voluntarily, they may involuntarily. Here is one extracted from the People's News-paper:

Easier Said Than Done.

A school-girl with large feet was sitting with them stretched far out beyond her desk, and was busy chewing toffee, when the teacher espied her. "Mary," cried the teacher, sharply. "Yes, ma'am," answered the pupil. "Take that sweet out of your mouth and put your feet in!"

The above reminds me that I recently took a snap at a young man sitting on the stoop of a house; in the picture his feet are as large as the rest of him, but he very kindly excused me by saying that his feet were rather large. As he was satisfied I could not see anything further to quarrel about, so snicker to myself when I think of it, but not more than I can help, for his good nature is superb. If he had come from New York or Chicago, we should never be friends any more, for the one not implicated would have rubbed it into the other indefinitely. Both cities are very touchy about their feet.

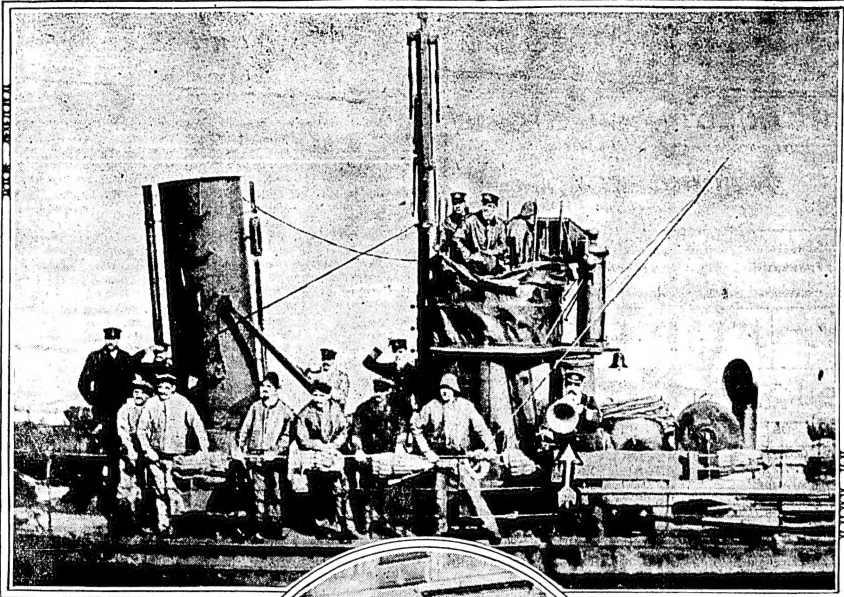
I rather enjoy hearing newcomers criticizing the Mounted Police because they know so little about them, and thus they display their densest ignorance of what the R. N. W. M. P. has been to Canada in the West. To really appreciate what this force has been to Alberta a little residence was necessary across the border, for instance, in Montana, and then a shift over to Alberta in the days when ranches were scattered, and we only saw our neighbors now and again. If we ever had any letters, as often as not the police brought them unsolicited, just called at the post office and asked if there were any letters for that part of the country and delivered them. If a man was hurt a long way out of the range, as often as not it was a police team that took him to town and the hospital free of charge. It can never be computed how many meals the police have given away to wayfarers, settlers and others that needed them, or how many strangers spent nights in their shacks on the range. Possibly you

may say the grub cost them nothing, but even that is a debatable point. However, they had to cook for us and wash up after us, or take a great deal of unnecessary trouble about us that we never paid for. Besides this we could, even if entirely alone, and miles away from anywhere, lie down quietly to sleep at night, knowing that even if anyone should jump us in the night retribution would follow as soon as it was discovered. As I said before I like to hear a man throwing bricks at the police because I can size him up right there as a "no account."

We were inclined to think, that in case war broke out with Germany, Alberta would be a pretty good place to be in, and far enough away from trouble, but now that flying humans are coming into fashion there is nowhere we can go to keep out of trouble. However, the old timer will not perhaps be quite so non-plussed as the tenderfoot, for he may think he has gone back to grasshopper days when he sees the German army flying over.

A gentleman travelling stopped at the house of a pious old woman and, observing her fondness for a pet dog, ventured to ask the name of the animal. The good woman answered by saying that she called him "Moreover." "Is not that a strange name?" inquired the gentleman. "Yes," said the pious lady; "but I thought it must be a good one as I found it in the Bible." "Found it in the Bible?" quoted the gentleman. "Pray in what part of the Bible did you find it?" The old lady took down her Bible with the utmost reverence, and turning to the text, read as follows: "Moreover, the dog came and licked his sores."

The above story reminds one of some names that are current in the plantations away down south. I once knew a little nigger in a southern state who was called Mary Joe. The reason for this was explained by his grandmother who stated that he was the only child of his parents who both died close to the time of his birth and as she loved both of them, called the boy by a bit of each. No white woman could have done this because it wouldn't have been in the fashion.



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The Gentle Cynic says: "Nature generally manages to adjust herself. The quarrelsome people are usually the ones who get married."

I also like his definition of a critic: "A critic is a person who can always tell how a thing ought to be done better than he can do it."

We are so taken up with new things nowadays that we are inclined to think some of our old timers did not know much, so I take the liberty of making a quotation from Emerson, which is just as applicable to our day as to his and shows that we go forward slowly. It is this:

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WITH THE INVESTOR

Mr. Eugene Coste, the well-known mining engineer, who superintended the drilling of the C.P.R. gas well at Flow Island, east of Medicine Hat, where an unusually fine flow was obtained, took a trip up the C. & E. last week. Whether his visit to Edmonton had any significance so far as oil and gas prospecting goes has not been announced. But the Red Deer Advocate has this to say regarding his visit to that town: "Mr. Coste met the executive of the Red Deer Board of Trade on Saturday night in Mr. Greene's office and discussed with them the likelihood of getting natural gas at Red Deer. Mr. Coste did not doubt that that natural gas could be got at Red Deer if they went down far enough, but he believed they would have to go down 3,500 or 4,000 feet, at least to strike a permanent and adequate supply, and the cost would be prohibitive. It would be very difficult to give any estimate of the cost, but it would go, probably \$50,000 or more, as he could not be sure they would reach it at 4,000 feet. He showed that natural gas sinking a pipe that to depth almost invariably was found in this country in the cretaceous rock, though small pockets were often found in the tertiary formation, as he figured out the geological formation of this district, there was a stretch of superimposed rock over this gas-bearing formation, this stretch running from near Edmonton to south of Calgary, and from 50 to 100 miles wide, which made boring for gas here practically prohibitive. He doubted whether gas could be found in paying quantities at reasonable depth either at Calgary or Weta-kiwin, in both of which places some boring had been done. He doubted whether any large seams of coal could be found in the tertiary rock underlying Red Deer.

Work is being rushed on the C. P. R. line east of Hardisty and Mr. F. W. Peters is authority for the statement that trains will be running over it from Strathcona to Winnipeg in November.

Why shouldn't a church or society pay its bills? Pay, just like any private citizen? Why shouldn't they be self-respecting and dignified, and if they give an entertainment, or other form of amusement, rely on the excellence of it and its object to fetch the people, rather than drag them to it by force?

Why should cakes and flowers and other commodities offered for sale at charitable affairs be marked at 100 per cent more than they are worth, particularly when they were donated, so represent clear gain in the first place? Why should newspapers have to give their space gratis for money making schemes? Why should people generally feel that when they go to these affairs, they may expect to be done?

The whole principle of the thing is wrong, wrong, wrong. Its abuse has brought about universal evil, for does not the Bible teach that "Though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, and have not charity, it profiteth me nothing." How many of us give for the love of the ground? Not for the social prominence, for reputation, for generosity, or the chance of ritual, or for any interior motives, but just because we honestly want to help. You can answer for yourselves. Personally I can lay my hand on two charities that aroused my honest good will in the past few months. And again, why should the burden fall on a mere handful of citizens?

Oh, this importunate business must cease if we are to have any real charity. We must give free will offerings, to causes not people. We must be content to make less money, but give in accordance with our

means. Must cease to rob Peter to pay Paul. The hold-up people must face facts and re-adjust their ideas and practices. People are tired of this "give, give, give" under compulsion. If churches and charities will cease begging, and leave such things to the people and their conscience, organizations may take in a little less money, but the cause of charity will gain an hundred-fold.

Ladies at Banquet, County Down are desirous that a floating raft should be provided for their use in bathing similar to that which has already been provided in the bathing place, and in a petition which was read at the meeting of the Banquet Urban Council, they said: "In submitting this request we are not moved by any base motives of envy or covetousness. We are delighted to see the men when in a state of exhaustion reaching for the support of their so much needed—just like them when coming home for tea at the end of a day—and basking on their floating refuge like crabs on a rock."

"It is we think, freely admitted that floating decks are a first necessity for the repair of ships, and why dainty craft like us should be left to sail or sink as best we can without the accommodation is not easily explained. We prefer this method of approaching you to those of sieges on the House of Commons. Let it be seen, therefore, that Irish women can win and Irishmen can grant petitions without appeal to padlocks, chains, or prisons."

In the course of an interview with the Alberta, Mr. W. H. Mitchell, the Calgary engineer, declared that the C. N. R. line from Vegreville would be within 50 miles of Calgary this fall.

"The way the C. N. R. is rushing work is wonderful," he said, "and in this respect the G. T. P. is not far behind them. The Canadian Northern started out with a programme of the construction work is 10 miles of road this year, but in reality they have already gone 150 miles. As a matter of fact they have graded from Vegreville to a point about six miles south of Stettler, and the balance of the construction work is let and covered to within about twenty miles of the Red Deer. As the rails and necessary material are already at Vegreville, I would not be surprised if at the rate they are going they began track laying this fall. The construction work as far as the Red Deer at any rate, will be covered and completed by the middle of November or the beginning of December."

The Canadian Northern Railway has purchased an island, which lies at the mouth of the Fraser river, twenty miles, from Vancouver. It contains 600 acres, and will be the site of the shops, elevators, etc., for freight shipping. The probability, it is believed, is the Canadian Northern will use the pull line tracks across the Fraser and into the city for passenger business.

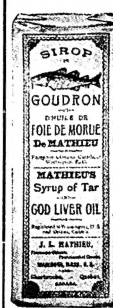
According to a news item which emanated from Edmonton this week, the Canadian Western Railway has completed the location of the line from Calgary to Montana, and will let contracts for the construction within a few days. The construction will be operated under three contracts, one from Calgary south, one from Pincher south, and one from Pincher south to the arrangement will facilitate rapid completion. The Canadian Western Railway will give Alberta direct communication with Butte, and will also give service materially in handling, transportation and imports, as well as giving a new coal district hitherto not reached. The line of this road from Calgary runs west for twenty miles, almost due south to the Gap, passing between the Porcupine Hills and the Limestone range. In the latter are immense beds of coal that have not been opened up, and it is believed the owners of this coal will develop them, and thereby furnish to Alberta a new source of supply. From the Gap the line continues to parallel the C. P. R., crossing the Crow's Nest branch between Coule and Pincher City to Pincher Creek, and will give northern Alberta a direct line to the Crow's Nest coal fields. From here it takes a southeasterly direction to the border, on the other side of which it will connect with either the Great Northern or the C. M. & St. Paul Railway, and run to Helena. Plans are now, it is said, being completed in Edmonton by Mr. Goddard, chief engineer of the railroad and as soon as they are finished, which will be in a few days, will be submitted to contractors for bids. The promoters and owners of this new undertaking are F. B. Lynch, O. A. Robertson, vice president of the Eastern Townships Bank, and T. E. Kenniston, of the International Harvester Co., all big Americans from St. Paul, Minn. The holdings in Western Canada of these men are upwards of ten million dollars, and this new railroad will swell the amount to many millions more. The company named under which this syndicate operates is the Northwest Colonization Company, Western Development Company, Canada West Coal Co., at Taber, where they have 12,000 reserve acres of coal lands, Yale-Columbia Lumber Co., Nelson, B.C., Revelstoke Lumber Co., Union Lumber Co., Elk Lumber Co., and Red Deer Lumber Co., at Prince Albert, Saskatchewan.

Sir Edward Clouston, vice-president and general manager of the Bank of Montreal, who travelled with Lord Strathcona to the West, comes back, says the Montreal Witness, telling of unprecedented prosperity everywhere, and boundless prospects for the future. Sir Edward is an exceptionally good position to advise the country financially, as through the many branches of Canada's premier bank he has his fingers on the financial pulse of the country, as it were, and from the present can judge of the future. He found prosperity to be existing on a solid basis—strong on "the ground" and everything pointing to its increase, year after year. Sir Edward, however, preaches caution, as only reckless booming can give the West any set back. There will be plenty of money this fall, he thinks, to finance the grain-moving period, and that without the least tightening the money market for legitimate purposes in the East. That is the best of news in this time of renewal of industrial expansion. Incidentally Sir Edward remarked that the young towns of the West, which are springing up everywhere are beginning to rival the big cities. He did not encounter there any streets so bad as those in Montreal.

WHAT THE PRESS AGENTS SAY
At Starland
Amongst the many out-standing features that have been presented at this popular theatre this week, one, "The Kiss of Judas," will live permanently in the minds of those who were able to see it. The portrayal by consummate actors of that tragedy which changed the whole history of the world is masterfully presented with a refinement and delicacy of manner unapproached in any other picture save perhaps the "Passion Play" at Oberammergau, Bavaria.
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Then again in "The Happiest Day of Her Life" was found something that appealed to old and young alike, while the vision of Our Lord present at the girl's first communion proved a subject full of interest. Another picture that was shown at the commencement of the week "A Prairie Romance" dealt with those wild west scenes about which as boys we have loved to eagerly read, and we have

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